

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously amended) A method for producing an armature shaft of an electric motor having a worm, wherein the worm (30) is produced, at the end of the armature assembly (10), by reshaping the armature shaft (12).
9. (Previously amended) ~~The method of claim 8 , wherein that the worm (30) is produced by rolling.~~
10. (Currently amended) ~~The method of claim 8 A method for producing an armature shaft of an electric motor having a worm, wherein the worm (30) is produced, at the end of the armature assembly (10), by reshaping the armature shaft (12), wherein that~~
before the production of the worm (30), a tubular bearing seat (26) is mounted on the armature shaft (12) between other parts (14, 18, 20) of the armature (10), which are placed on the armature shaft (12), and the worm (30) to be produced, and an outer diameter of the bearing seat (26) is at least as great as an outer diameter of the worm (30) to be produced.

11. (Currently amended) The method of claim 8 A method for producing an armature shaft of an electric motor having a worm, wherein the worm (30) is produced, at the end of the armature assembly (10), by reshaping the armature shaft (12), wherein that before the worm (30) is produced, a shaft bearing (28) is mounted on the armature shaft (12) between other parts (14, 18, 20) of the armature (10), which are placed on the armature shaft (12), and the worm (30) to be produced.

12. (Previously amended) The armature shaft produced by the method of claim 8, wherein the worm (30) has a greater outer diameter than does the armature shaft (12) over its remaining length.

13. (Previously amended) The armature shaft of claim 12, wherein that a tubular bearing seat (26), whose outer diameter is at least as great as an outer diameter of the worm (30), is mounted on the armature shaft (12) between the worm (30) and other parts (14, 18, 20) of the armature (10) that are placed on the armature shaft (12).

14. (Previously amended) The armature shaft of claim 12, wherein that a shaft bearing (28) is mounted directly on the armature shaft (12), between the worm (30) and other parts (14, 18, 20) of the armature (10) that are placed on the armature shaft (12).

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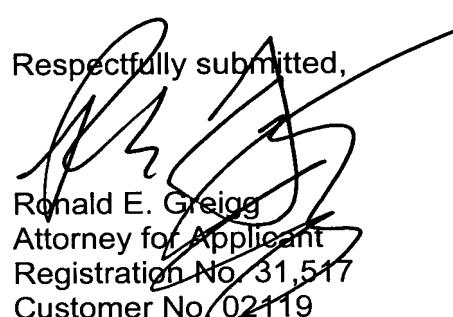
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The application contains claims 8-14. Claims 1-7 were previously canceled.

The examiner has acknowledged that claims 10 and 11 are directed to allowable subject matter. Claims 10 and 11 have been rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of their base claim. Accordingly claims 10 and 11 are now in allowable condition.

Entry of the amendment is requested.

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